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I look forward to working with Republicans to strengthen oversight, improve regulation of Wall Street, and to take real action that addresses the pressing needs of homeowners in crisis now."